

TULSA AREA PARTNERSHIP

Grow your **Business**
in America's most livable region...

...*Northeast Oklahoma*



Business Location Guide
for Corporate Executives



2008–2009

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Your network to a world of possibilities.

Welcome to Tulsa and Northeast Oklahoma



National surveys consistently pick Tulsa as one of America's top regions in terms of livability—an ideal business location merging workplace and lifestyle.

We are a vibrant, growing pro-business hub—serving a diverse group of business segments, including aerospace, advanced manufacturing, information technology, and energy. With an area population of more than 1.1 million, northeast Oklahoma provides a profitable solution to your business location needs—lower operating costs, access to growing markets, and an innovative, affordable talent pool—all in a right-to-work state.

“Northeast Oklahoma has proved to be an excellent location for ConocoPhillips’ Global Systems and Services. The region’s pro-business attitude, outstanding communications infrastructure and Midwestern work ethic have all contributed to the success of our operations.”

*Gene Batchelder, Bartlesville, OK
Senior Vice President & CIO
Global Systems & Services
ConocoPhillips*


ConocoPhillips

**Ranked #5 on Relocate–America’s
Top 100 Places to Live**
(5/19/2008)

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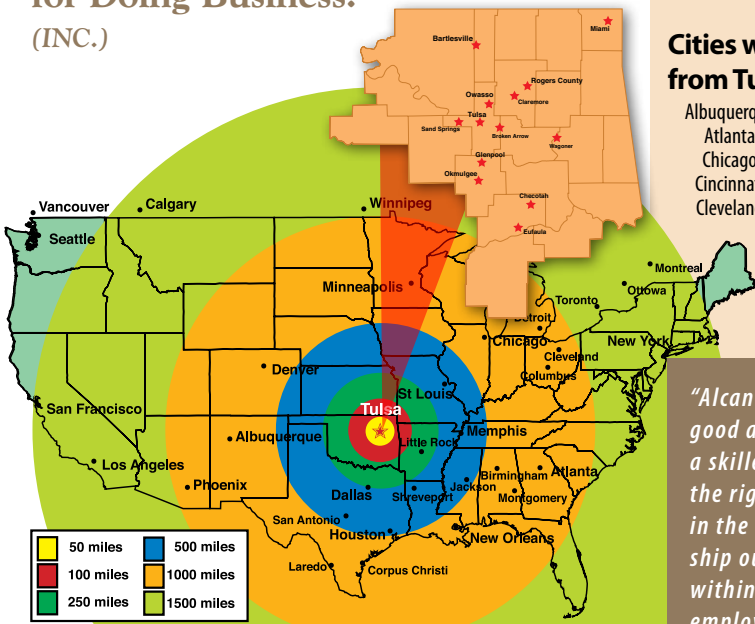
Tulsa Area: -Location

Tulsa Area's Strategic Location Advantage

Combine Tulsa's strategic mid-continent location with competitive costs and a multi-modal transportation network, and you get a community perfectly situated for business growth.

Ranked 13th best location on Expansion Management's recent 5-Star Logistics Metro survey.

Ranked in the Top 40 Cities for Doing Business. (INC.)



Market Proximity

Transportation Infrastructure

Highway	I-44, I-40 and I-35
Waterway	The Tulsa Port of Catoosa and Port of Muskogee, at the head of the 450-mile McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation system, link Oklahoma to the ports of New Orleans, Houston and the world.
Air	Tulsa International Airport offers commercial nonstop service to more than 20 cities with an average 80+ flights per day. More than 10 general aviation airports in the TAP community
Rail	The TAP area is served by BNSF, UP and various short-line railroads
Freight Carriers	5 airfreight carriers; 50 trucking carriers
Central Time Zone	Foreign Trade Zone

Cities with nonstop service to and from Tulsa International Airport

Albuquerque	Dallas Love	Las Vegas
Atlanta	Dallas/Ft. Worth	Memphis
Chicago	Denver	Minneapolis
Cincinnati	Detroit	Newark
Cleveland	Houston	Phoenix
	Kansas City	Sacramento
	Los Angeles	Salt Lake City
	Los Angeles / Ontario	San Diego
		St. Louis

"Alcan needed a new location with good access to our customer base and a skilled reliable workforce. Tulsa was the right choice. It is located centrally in the United States allowing us to ship our product to our customers within a one- to two-day window. Our employees are second to none!"

Luis Bogran, Plant Manager
Alcan Packaging—Tulsa





Business Work

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

- Aaon
- Alorica Inc
- American Airlines*
- AT&T
- Avis Budget Group
- Bank Of Oklahoma
- Blue Cross & Blue Shield
- Cherokee Casino Resort
- ConocoPhillips
- DirecTV
- Dollar Thrifty Automotive
- Dish Network
- EDS
- Hillcrest Healthcare System
- IBM
- Nordam Group
- Oklahoma State University Medical Center
- ONEOK Inc
- Oral Roberts University
- Public Service Co Of Oklahoma
- Quiktrip Corp
- Reasor's Foods
- Saint Francis Health System*
- Spirit Aerosystems Inc.
- St John Medical Center
- State Farm Insurance
- Tulsa Community College
- University Of Tulsa
- US Postal Service
- Verizon
- Walmart
- Whirlpool
- Williams Companies Inc*

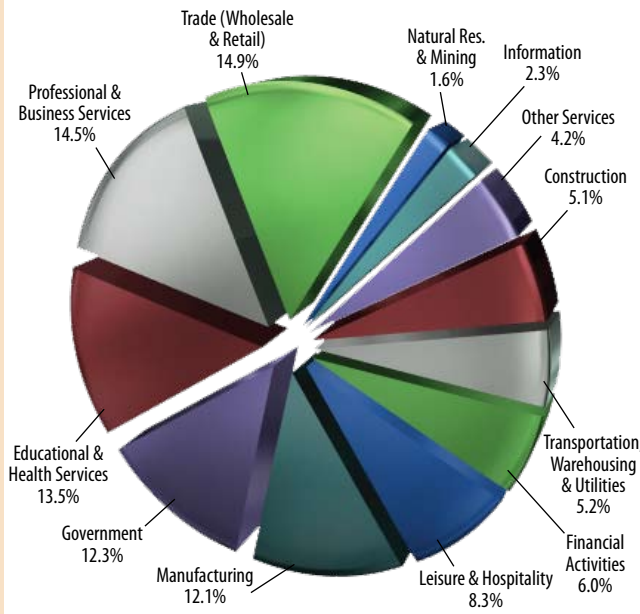
*Employers with more than 1000 employees;
* denotes more than 5000 employees*

TAP will connect you with resources to identify, attract, retain, and develop the workforce for the future through aggressive workforce development initiatives.

The area's workforce is productive and well educated, reflecting the impact of the region's pre-K-12 system, colleges, universities, and research centers.

- TAP area labor force totals more than 500,000.

Employment by Major Industry





Force & Education

The region's network of world-class universities and technology centers serve all industries—providing a proficient workforce and the nation's finest customized industry training.

- Oklahoma Career Tech's training for industry program—a leader in training in the U.S.
- Nationally known education and training programs for aviation and aerospace at Spartan and area Technology Centers through public/private partnerships.
- New technology research center at OSU-Tulsa will lead programs in research of composite materials and other molecular sciences.
- Unique pre-K–12 initiatives throughout the region, including a Malcom Baldrige award-winning school district and "America's best high school."
- Innovative college and university programs such as Tulsa Achieves, offering free tuition to county residents, or free IT training to meet business needs.

Average Annual Wages

Tulsa MSA	\$38,085
United States	\$42,143

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

- Bacone College
- Bartlesville Rogers State University
- Connors State College
- Langston University
- Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College
- Northeastern State University
 - NSU/Broken Arrow
 - NSU Muskogee
- Northern Oklahoma College
- Oklahoma State University
- Oklahoma State University Technical Branch—Okmulgee
- Oklahoma State University—Tulsa
 - OSU Center for Health Sciences
- Oklahoma Wesleyan University
- Oral Roberts University
- Rogers State University
- Southern Nazarene University
- Spartan College of Aeronautics and Technology
- Tulsa Community College
- University of Oklahoma—Tulsa
 - University of Oklahoma College of Medicine—Tulsa
- University of Tulsa

TECHNOLOGY CENTERS

- Central Tech
- Green County Technology Center
- Indian Capital
 - Bill Willis Campus
 - Muskogee Campus
- Meridian Technology Center
- Northeast Technology Center
 - North Campus
 - East Campus
 - South Campus
 - West Campus
- Tri County Technology Center
- Tulsa Technology Center
 - Broken Arrow Campus
 - Career Services Center
 - Lemley Campus
 - Peoria Campus
 - Riverside Campus
 - Training Center
 - Sand Springs
 - Skyline

Ranked #6 Best Cities for Jobs
(Forbes)



Experience Life



Tulsa and Northeast Oklahoma is an area of natural beauty, talented people, and a diverse culture.

The region offers a perfect blend of urban sophistication and small town charm, along with an affordable lifestyle and welcoming communities—a business location where making a living includes “having a life.”



- Strong regional healthcare system
- #3 in shortest commutes to work (20.86 minutes)
- One of the nation’s largest young professionals organizations
- Year-round outdoor recreation, proximity to lakes, distinctive neighborhoods, world-class shopping
- National surveys consistently pick Tulsa as one of America’s top regions in terms of livability—an ideal business location merging workplace and lifestyle.
- One of the top places to “prosper.” (*salary.com*)

COST OF LIVING INDEX, U.S.=100.0

Denver, CO	103.5
Albuquerque, NM	97.1
Manhattan, KS	96.6
Kansas City, MO	96.3
Austin, TX	95.5
San Antonio, TX	95.2
Little Rock, AR	91.8
St Louis, MO	90.2
Fort Worth, TX	89.0
Tulsa, OK	86.5

Source: ACCRA Cost-of-living Survey, Council for Community and Economic Research, Arlington, VA, 2008 Second-quarter Data

Named one of America’s top nine livable cities...where you won’t need to trade the good life for the boring.

(2008 MSN Real Estate Best Bargain Markets)

The Tulsa Area Partnership (TAP) is a Northeast Oklahoma economic development consortium working together to make your business expansion or location successful and profitable.

Our mission is to encourage growth and diversification of the Tulsa region by promoting the development of existing business and encouraging the location of complementary new businesses.

TAP is your single point of contact for information and site location assistance. Our services are provided on a free and confidential basis. We are the Northeast Oklahoma gateway of resource for:

- Comprehensive site selection assistance and building site identification
- Workforce and training incentive and business tax information, including Oklahoma's unique workforce and industry training programs and Quality Jobs cash-back program.
- Demographic, wage, and economic data

TAP member communities have sites available ranging from five to 200+ acres with a variety of available buildings and build-to-suit opportunities. Let us help you find a site for your next expansion.





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